PUBLIC NOTICE

This notice is consistent with federal guidelines under Subpart (B) CFR 24 91.105. This Notice of Funding Availability (NOFA) announces Fiscal Year 2004-2005 Annual Action Plan Process (2nd Year) of the Multi-Year Grant Application process for the Orange County Housing and Community Services (HCS) Department.

This NOFA solicits Public Facilities and Improvement and Housing Rehabilitation proposals and promotes the availability and use of federal and local funds administered by HCS. These funds, Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Program, HOME Investment Partnership Act (HOME) Program, Emergency Shelter Grant (ESG) Program, Orange County Development Agency/Neighborhood Development and Preservation Project (NDAPP), and Orange County Housing Authority Housing Support Services (HSS) Program funds are to benefit low and moderate-income communities throughout Orange County.

Interested Organizations include: county agencies, participating cities, organizations within targeted areas, and non-profit organizations that have projects that are consistent with the Amended Funding Allocation Policy and Citizen Participation Plan (FAPP and CPP) for FY 2003-2006 adopted by the County of Orange Board of Supervisors on September 30, 2003, may apply. The FAPP and CPP is available for review on HCS' website under City/Non-Profit Section at: http://www.ochousing.org/Citynonprofit.htm

All applicants whose projects meet the minimum threshold as priority projects described in the FAPP and CPP must submit their applications in the FY 2004-2005 Annual Action Plan Process. Additionally, the FAPP and CPP describes procedure used and process to rank and award proposals.

ATTENDANCE TO THE TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE WORKSHOP IS HIGHLY RECOMMENDED.

HCS will be hosting a Technical Assistance Workshop for organizations that intend to submit a Public Facilities & Improvement and/or a Housing Rehabilitation application in FY 2004-2005 Annual Action Plan Process on Wednesday, October 15, 2003 from 10:00 AM to 11:30 AM at the HCS Facility located at 1770 N. Broadway, Santa Ana, CA 92706.

In order to provide organizations with maximum time to complete and submit applications, applications are available via HCS website in Acrobat PDF format beginning October 3, 2003 under the City/Non-Profit Section at http://www.ochousing.org/Citynonprofit.htm Questions regarding the Technical Assistance Workshop shall be directed to Orlando M. Calleros at (714) 480-2731 or e-mail Loretta Fergerstrom at loretta.Fergerstrom@hcd.ocgov.com or Virginia Chan at Virginia.chan@hcd.ocgov.com.

Application deadline is October 31, 2003 by 2:00 PM